

application of money and may contain provisions for the employment of consulting engineers in connection with the construction or operation of any project. It is lawful for any bank or trust company incorporated under the laws of the State which may act as a depository of the proceeds of the bonds or notes or of revenues to furnish indemnifying bonds or to pledge securities as may be required by the board [of directors]. The trust agreement may set forth the rights and remedies of the bondholders and of the trustee and may restrict the individual right of action by bondholders. In addition, the trust agreement may contain other provisions which the board [of directors] deems reasonable and proper for the security of the bondholders, including, without limitation, covenants to abandon, restrict, or prohibit the construction or operation of competing facilities and covenants pertaining to the issuance of additional parity bonds or notes upon conditions stated therein consistent with the requirements of this subtitle. All expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of any trust agreement may be treated as a part of the cost of the operation of any project or projects in connection with which the bonds or notes have been issued.

(b) The proceeds of the sale of bonds or notes secured by a trust agreement shall be paid to the trustee under the trust agreement securing the bonds or notes and shall be disbursed in the manner and under the restrictions, if any, that may be provided in the trust agreement.

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(a) The Service may fix, revise, charge, and collect rentals, rates, fees or other charges for the use of or for the services furnished by any project or projects, contract with any person or municipality desiring the use of the services or any part of any project or projects, and fix the terms, conditions, rentals, rates, fees, and charges therefor. The rentals and other rates, fees and charges designated as security for any bonds or notes issued under this subtitle shall be fixed and adjusted in respect of the aggregate thereof from the projects under the control of the Service as to provide funds sufficient with other revenues, if any, (1) to pay the cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating any project or projects financed in whole or in part by outstanding bonds or notes, to the extent the cost is not otherwise provided, (2) to pay the principal of and the interest on the bonds or notes as they become due and payable, (3) to create reserves for those purposes, and (4) to provide funds for paying the cost of renewals or replacements, the cost of acquiring or installing equipment, and the cost of enlarging, extending, reconstructing, or improving any project or projects. The rentals, rates, fees, and charges are not subject to supervision or regulation by any unit of the State government or any political subdivision, except as provided in § 3-128 of this subtitle.

(b) The rentals, rates, fees, and other charges and revenues, or any part thereof, whether derived from the project or projects in connection with which the bonds or notes of any issue have been issued or from other projects, designated as security for the bonds or notes by the authorizing resolution or in the trust agreement securing the bonds or notes, shall be set aside at the regular intervals provided in the resolution or trust agreement in a sinking fund pledged to, and charged with, the payment of (1) the interest on the bonds or notes as it falls due, (2) the principal of the bonds or notes as it falls due, (3) the necessary charges of paying agents for paying principal and interest, and (4) the redemption price or purchase price of bonds or notes retired by call or purchase as